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Vacancies in Central Universities, IITs, IIMs, NITs

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Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government maintains data regarding vacancies in Central Universities, IITs, IIMs, NITs and other Centrally-funded institutions;
- (b) if so, the institution-wise details of faculty and non-teaching vacancies;
- (c) the reasons for the continued vacancies; and
- (d) the timeline fixed for filling all such vacant posts?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) to (d) The Central Higher Education Institutions (CHEIs) under Ministry of Education including Central Universities, IITs, IIM and NITs are statutory autonomous organizations established under respective Central Acts of Parliament and governed by provisions of the Acts/Statutes/Ordinances/Regulations made thereunder. As autonomous institutions, faculty recruitment is done within the institutions itself, in accordance with their Acts and Regulations. The recruitment powers vests with the respective Board of Governors/Executive Committee/Board of Management.

Occurring of vacancies and filling thereof is a continuous process. The vacancies arise due to promotion, retirement, resignation, death, opening of new institutions, schemes or projects, and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength and expansion of capacity in existing institutions.

In August, 2021, all CHEIs under Ministry of Education were requested to undertake special drive to fill backlog vacancies in their institutions in Mission Mode. The CHEIs undertook special recruitment drives to fill the vacancies including of Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs). In September 2022, Ministry of Education had also exhorted all the CHEIs to fill up the vacancies in Mission Mode. In October 2025, all the CHEIs have again been requested to fill up all the backlog vacancies in Mission Mode. From September 2022, all CHEIs including Central Universities (CUs) and IITs have undertaken Mission Mode recruitment drive to fill the vacancies. Up to 23.05.2026 (i.e. the date of last Rozgar Mela), a total number of 32114 posts have been filled up by all CHEIs, including 18757 faculty positions, in Mission Mode.
